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## FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

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### AFRICA.

#### *Report from Cape Town—Plague-infected rodents found at East London.*

The following is received from the medical officer of health for the colony, under dates of May 28 and June 16, 1906:

*East London.*—During the week ended May 26, 136 rodents, of which 18 were found dead, were bacteriologically examined. Of this number 9 were found to be plague infected.

Week ended June 2, 1906: 160 rodents bacteriologically examined; 22 found dead; 1 plague infected.

### BRAZIL.

#### *Report from Rio de Janeiro—Inspection of vessels—Plague, smallpox, and yellow fever.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Stewart reports, June 6 and 13, as follows:

Week ended June 3, 1906. Vessels were inspected and received bills of health as follows: May 28 the British steamship *Trunkby*, for Philadelphia, with a cargo of manganese ore, no passengers, no change in the personnel of the crew, and with no one ashore except the captain of the vessel; May 29 the British steamship *Aviemoor*, for Tampa, in water ballast, with no passengers, and with no alteration in the crew personnel while here; British steamship *Sallust*, for New Orleans, with a cargo of coffee, no passengers, and with no change in the personnel of the crew while here, and on June 2 the British steamship *Byron*, for New York, with 18 first-class and 13 steerage passengers, and 2 new members of the crew taken on while in this port.

Mortality, week ended June 3, 1906: Total deaths, 260. No deaths or cases reported for yellow fever or variola; 1 new case of plague, and 1 death from the same cause. At the end of the week there were in the hospital of São Sebastião 9 cases of suspicious illness under observation, but no case of well-defined plague, variola, or yellow fever.

Week ended June 10, 1906: No vessels left this port for ports in the United States or its colonial possessions, and no bills of health were issued by the American consulate-general.

Mortality, week ended June 10, 1906: Total deaths, 292. No deaths were caused by yellow fever, plague, or variola. One new case of

variola was reported. At the close of the week there were in the hospital of São Sebastião 12 cases of illness of a suspicious character, but no cases of any well-defined illness of the types mentioned.

# BRITISH HONDURAS.

## *Report from Belize, fruit port—Mosquitoes.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Cooke reports as follows:

Week ended June 28, 1906. Present officially estimated population, 9,000; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good. The rainy season has set in and breeding places for mosquitos are increased in number. *Anopheles* and *Stegomyia* are common. Fully 50 per cent of the cisterns are still unscreened.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.
June 22	Olympia .....	New Orleans .....	42	.....	.....
28	Kirkstall.....	.....do .....	20	.....	.....

# COSTA RICA.

## *Reports from Limon, fruit port—Second case of yellow fever.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Goodman reports as follows:

Week ended June 30, 1906. Estimated population, 5,000; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, infected. The second case of yellow fever, reported June 26, is now convalescent. There have been no other cases reported.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.
June 24	Karen .....	New Orleans .....	25	0	0
24	San José.....	Boston .....	43	5	0
24	Sarnia .....	New York .....	90	16	12
26	Harald .....	Mobile .....	19	0	0
27	Oracabessa .....	New York .....	49	0	0
28	Alps .....	New Orleans .....	26	0	0
29	Barranca .....	New York .....	55	4	0
30	Preston.....	New Orleans .....	30	0	0

Three bills of health for Panaman port were viséed.

The second case of yellow fever has occurred in Limon. A Spaniard arrived from Habana June 8, remained in Limon four days, and went from there to Zent Junction, a railroad station 23 miles from Limon. He came back to Limon after being sick four days, on June 23, slept in Limon that night, and was taken to the hospital next day.

I saw the case June 25, and diagnosed it yellow fever, which was concurred in by the hospital surgeon and city physician. The patient is doing well and will probably recover.